

Junior Legion Club Takes Two; Heads for Tourney

Torrance's Junior Legion nine heads for the Anaheim Tournament this week end, fresh from a pair of hard-earned wins over the Wilmington and Redondo clubs.

Coaches Del Nuzum and Swain Johnson said this week they had not been notified as to which team the Torrance Juniors will meet in first-round play at the tourney.

Ron Anderson held Wilmington to four hits and the locals bashed 16 off Mendez and Melo, Wilmington pitchers, but the score was much closer, 7-6. Anderson went all the way for the win and was backed by Bob Clifford's four for four hitting.

Jess Hanon and Barrett Le-pitched the win over Redondo, by a 4-3 count. Torrance totalled five hits, with Steve Beckett and Anderson getting two apiece.

Redondo 030 000 0-3 6
Torrance 000 010 2-4 5
Walt, Beattie and Beattie, Cook, Hanon, Lee and Hollis.
Wilmington 000 221 0-6 4
Torrance 300 120 1-7 16
Mendez, Melo and Bates; Anderson and Tiersan.

Wojack Leads Walteria
John Wojack tossed a one-hitter Tuesday as the Walteria Park Seals dashed the Yankees, 7-0, in Pee Wee softball play.

ALL STARS PLAY AT GLENDALE

'Birds Travel' For Wasco Fray; Nip Normandale

Torrance's Bluebirds face a busy schedule this week end, traveling to Wasco to meet the defending Kern County titlists on Saturday and then returning to Torrance Park, Sunday, for a Harbor League game with the Compton Latins.

The Wasco affair is a night game, starting at 8:15 p.m. Sunday, the locals blasted Normandale for their seventh straight Harbor victory, 14-8 at Normandale grounds. Tom Vanderpool and Jack Schlarb combined on the mound to pitch the Torrance win, with Vanderpool getting the nod.

Two Hit Four
Swain Johnson and Don Taylor each hit safely four for five trips to spearhead a 25-hit Torrance attack. Vanderpool, Lee Uter and Manager Jack French were the only 'Birds' who went hitless.

The locals were down, 4-2, after two innings of play, due to a grand slam homer off the bat of Norman pitcher Brammell. Doubles by Buck Kuhn and Jim Taylor and Hank Camou's threebase hit were the big blows as the Bluebirds counted four times in the top of the third to go ahead to stay. Torrance then scored once in the fourth and fifth innings, four times in the sixth and twice in the eighth to notch the victory.

Final Rally
Normandale got their other four runs in the last of the ninth on two hits. Vanderpool struck out five and walked one in five innings, while Schlarb fanned six and passed five in his four inning stint.

Swain Johnson batted in five runs and Camou had four RBIs to pace the Torrance nine.
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Norm. 040 000 01-8 9 1
Vanderpool, Schlarb and J. Taylor; Brammell, Kuhn and Uter.

Roy, Potts Pace Locals To Fourth Play Off Win

American League All Stars, Torrance's representatives in Little League Tournament play, advanced another step Saturday by downing the Hermosa All Stars, 9-4, in district finals at El Segundo.

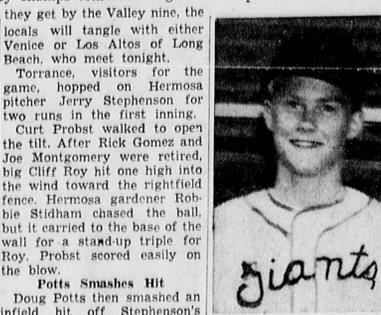
Next stop for Bo Palica's youngsters are the Los Angeles Sectional finals. They meet the San Fernando Valley champs tomorrow night at 5:15 p.m. in Glendale. Should they get by the Valley nine, the locals will tangle with either Venice or Los Altos of Long Beach, who meet tonight.

Torrance visitors for the game, hopped on Hermosa pitcher Jerry Stephenson for two runs in the first inning. Curt Probst walked to open the tilt. After Rick Gomez and Joe Montgomery were retired, big Cliff Roy hit one high into the wind toward the rightfield fence. Hermosa gardener Robbie Stidham chased the ball, but it carried to the base of the wall for a stand-up triple for Roy. Probst scored easily on the blow.

Potts Smashes Hit
Doug Potts then smashed an infield hit off Stephenson's glove to score Roy for the second Torrance run of the inning. Tommy Richardson, Torrance hurler, walked the first three Hermosa batters to face him. Ned Emerson, the losers' catcher, then faced a single to center, scoring Mike McClanahan with Hermosa's first run. Richardson settled down and retired the side without further damage, however.

Allidis Hooks Fish Title
Jimmy Allidis hooked the most fish to take top honors at the first annual Fish Derby, sponsored by the Torrance Recreation and held Saturday at Alondra Park Lake.

Steve Shenbarger followed Allidis in number of fish lured. In Carl Ubany was third. Other winners—Largest Bass: 1. Bob Miller, 2. Jim Allidis, 3. Donna Allidis; Largest Sunfish: 1. Jim Breitenfeldt, 2. Donna Allidis, 3. Jim Allidis, Steve Shenbarger, Steve Crayton. (tie); Smallest Sunfish: 1. Carl Ubany, 2. Steve Shenbarger, 3. Jim Allidis.



CLIFF ROY ... On Slugging spree

Lindsey let Rick Gomez' grass cutter go between his legs for a two-base error. Joe Montgomery then walked and he and Gomez counted with the fourth and fifth runs of the inning when Potts doubled to the right field fence.

Montgomery came up with the game's top defensive effort in the Hermosa half of the third inning. With the sacks loaded and two out, Stephenson smashed a Richardson offering deep to left field but Montgomery raced to the wall and hauled it in to end the threat.

Roy got hold of one of Stephenson's fast balls in the fourth and drove it directly over the centerfield wall. El Segundo Park officials said it easily was the longest homer hit during the two years Little League has been played there.

Hermosa Error
Richardson and Probst scored when Hermosa infielder Ken

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SPORT SLATE

SOFTBALL
Today—Blue Streak: Lutheran Men vs. Fire 'A', National Blues vs. Elks 7 p.m.; Walteria Park Homeowners vs. 1135, 8:20 p.m.; Torrance Park.
Aug. 5—Blue Streak: Walteria Methodists vs. Fire 'B', 8:30 p.m.; Torrance Park.

BASEBALL
Today—Babe Ruth League: Angels vs. Stars, 6 p.m.; Babe Ruth Park.
Normandale Little League: Solons vs. Seals, 6 p.m.; Normandale Play-ground.
Aug. 5—Little League Play Offs: Torrance vs. San Fernando Valley, 5:15 p.m.; Glendale. Babe Ruth League: Seals vs. Padres, 6 p.m.; Babe Ruth Park.

RACING
Aug. 5—Motors, 8:30 p.m., Gardena Stadium.
Aug. 6—Stock, 8:30 p.m., Gardena Stadium.
Aug. 7—Jules, 8:30 p.m., Gardena Stadium.

Swimming Program Set At Alondra

Alondra Park pool will be the site of the annual "Learn To Swim" program, slated to open Tuesday and run through Sept. 1. The program is co-sponsored by the Torrance Recreation Department and the Kiwanis Club.

Children eight through 12 are eligible to participate in the affair, which is slated two days a week, Tuesday and Thursday, for four weeks. Those youngsters passing tests will be awarded certificates. They will be divided into age groups for swimming lessons.

Sponsoring officials expect a large turnout for the program, which has proved popular with the small fry in the past.

The Kiwanis Club is paying for fares for all youngsters on buses, which will take them from their area playground to the pool. Local playground directors will have a schedule of after-bus departures and arrivals.

Buses will pick up at the following Torrance area parks: Fern Avenue, Pueblo-Del Amo, Hillside, Walteria, El Nido, Walteria School, McMaster, Seaside, El Retiro, Hollywood Riviera School, North Torrance, Crenshaw, Walteria School and Torrance Park.

Legion Nips Lions Club

A home run in the fourth inning by shortstop Bruno Giacomi was all American Legion needed as the Service League leaders stretched their lead to two games Tuesday night by beating second place Lions 1-0.

Each team got eight hits, but effective pitching by Legion pitcher Ross Hood and Lions' Pete Radisch kept the score to the minimum.

Set Selection Of All Star Softball Teams

All Star teams from the Torrance Midget and Pee Wee softball leagues will be selected this week for future competition in Los Angeles County tournaments, recreation officials said Monday.

The Midget All Stars will see their first play off action Aug. 15, when they travel to Bellflower. Pee Wee tournament play is set for Aug. 29 at Norwalk.

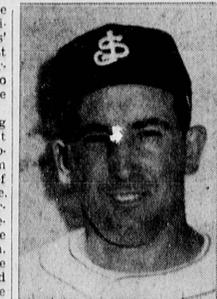
Awards and trophies will go to the winning clubs, officials reported.
A 10-inch ball will be used for all tourney games.

Former Pro Pitcher 'Bo' Palica Manages Torrance Tourney Entry

Much of the credit for the success of the Torrance American Little League All Stars' rise to tournament fame must go to Ambrose "Bo" Palica, former professional hurler who manages the club, a league spokesman said this week.

The record of the hustling Torrance youngsters bears out the fact they are getting top-notch managerial advice from Bo, who now lugs mail out of North Torrance Post Office. Heads up base running, sterling defensive play and a tremendous desire to win have been trademarks of the team.

In four tournament games, the Little Leaguers have committed only two errors. They have



BO PALICA ... Gives Kids The Facts

used only one substitute, not counting a relief pitcher used in Saturday's triumph over a rugged Hermosa Beach nine. They have come up with uncanny defensive plays.

Palica has accomplished wonders with his masterminding. He has kept the Torrance squad calm, yet has instilled a will to win that has kept them on top. He corrects every mistake, both in tourney play and on the practice field and the boys have taken to his mentorship in a big way.

Bo started in professional baseball in 1941, when he broke in with Charlestown, W. Va., of the Middle Atlantic League. The club, a Cleveland Indian affiliate, finished sixth in the loop, but Bo came up with a winning, 10-6 record.

He played with the Cleveland farm system until 1946 when he made a deal for himself and was sold to Oakland of the PCL. Bo capped 33 wins and dropped 35 during his tenure with the Indians.

Palica stayed in the Coast League following his 1946 Army release until 1948 when he caught on as a free agent with Meridian, Miss., of the South-eastern League. He stayed with the southerners until 1950 and reeled a 10-6 record, with records of 14-12, 23-10, and 17-11, in the Class "B" League.

All the credit can hardly go to Palica, however.
"The kids are coming through continually," he said, "and I know they'll give a good account of themselves in future games, no matter what the outcome."



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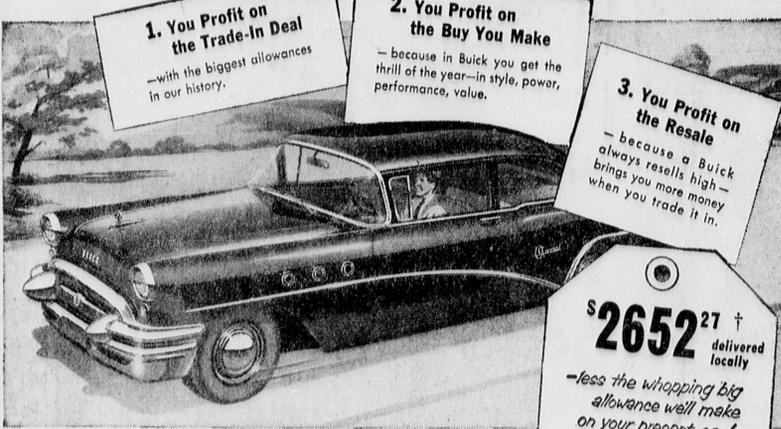
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